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SUBJECT: CODEX AND ICC CASES - POSSIBLE RESTRAINT OF
-- U.S. TRADE WITH FRANCE

REF: (A) PARIS 30805; (B) STATE 252024

1. REFTEL (A) PARAGRAPH 1B STATES THAT MINISTRY OF POSTS
AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS HAD "POSTPONED" A DECISION ON
WHETHER TO GRANT APPROVAL FOR CODEX AND ICC'S MODEMS UNTIL
INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES WERE PUBLISHED AND FRENCH SPECIFI-
CATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THESE GUIDELINES WERE ESTABLISHED.
ACCORDING TO CODEX, THE INTERNATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
ORGANIZATION'S GUIDELINES (DRAWN UP BY COMITE CONSULTATIF
INTERNATIONAL TELEGRAPHIQUE ET TELEPHONIQUE) HAVE BEEN
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AGREED UPON -- DESIGNATED V 29 -- AND CODEX HAS A NEW MODEM
(DESIGNATED AS LSI 9600/V 29) MEETING ITO STANDARDS.

2. ROSENBAUM, VP OF CODEX INTERNATIONAL, HAS REQUESTED
ASSISTANCE IN EXPEDITING ACTION BY FRENCH AUTHORITIES. HE
EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT EMBASSY REPRESENTATION WOULD HELP

SPEED UP PROCEDURE WITHIN P&T MINISTRY IN GRANTING APPROVAL
OF V 29 MODEM.

3. ROSENBAUM SENT COMMERCE THE FOLLOWING TELEX OUTLINING
THE DEVELOPMENT AND STATUS OF THE INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES:

- 1. FOLLOWING OUR CONVERSATION OF 6 DECEMBER BELOW
 - IS THE INFORMATION WE DISCUSSED WHICH CAN BE USED BY
 - THE PARIS EMBASSY IN THEIR EFFORTS;

 - 2. THE PRINCIPAL QUESTION IS WHEN WAS THE CCITT
 - V 29 RECOMMENDATION PUBLISHED IN A USEFUL AND OFFICIAL
 - FORM?

 - 3. WE HAVE DISCUSSED THIS QUESTION WITH THE CHAIR-
 - MAN OF THE SUB WORKING PARTY OF CCITT SPECIAL STUDY
 - GROUP A. HIS WORKING PARTY WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE
 - FORMULATION OF THE V 29 RECOMMENDATION.

 - 4. THE HISTORY IS AS FOLLOWS: A. JUNE 1975 -
 - PUBLICATION COM SPA 148 CONTAINED THE FIRST PUBLISHED
 - DRAFT OF THE PROPOSED V 29 RECOMMENDATION; B. MARCH
 - 1976 - TEMPORARY DOCUMENT 206 MODIFIED COM SPA 148 IN
 - A RELATIVELY MINOR FORM; C. MAY 1976 - THE REPORT OF
 - CCITT SPECIAL STUDY GROUP A DOCUMENT AP VI NUMBER 44
 - CONTAINED THE TECHNICAL DETAILS OF THE CURRENT V 29
 - RECOMMENDATION; D. DURING CCITT'S SIXTH PLENARY
 - SESSION IN GENEVA DURING SEPT 27 TO OCT 4, 1976 THE
 - SESSION ACCEPTED THE V 29 RECOMMENDATION REFERRED TO
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- 5. THUS IT IS EVIDENT THAT THE CCITT AS OF MAY 1976
- PUBLISHED WHAT IS NOW CALLED V 29 AND ACCEPTED IT IN
- THE 27 SEPT TO OCT 4 1976 PLENARY SESSION. THIS
- INFORMATION WAS CLEARLY KNOWN TO THE FRENCH REPRE-
- SENTATIVES TO CCITT.

- 6. FOR YOUR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, THE FOLLOWING
- FRENCH REPRESENTATIVES ATTENDED THE MARCH 1975 WORKING
- PARTY MEETING IN MIAMI WHICH PRODUCED THE JUNE 1975
- COM SPA 148 DOCUMENT REFERRED TO ABOVE:

- INDIVIDUAL COMPANY
- D. CYPRYS TRT
- M. STEIN TRT
- N. MAITRE LTT
- J.B. PINTAUX SAT

-- 7. IF YOU WOULD LIKE ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PLEASE LET US KNOW."

4. ROSENBAUM CONFIRMED THAT DATATEL (CODEX REPRESENTATIVE)
PLANS TO SUBMIT APPLICATION TO P & T MINISTRY THIS MONTH
FOR MODEM V 29, BUILT TO FULLY CONFORM WITH ITO STANDARDS.

5. AFTER CONTACTING DATATEL TO CONFIRM SUBMISSION OF
APPLICATION, EMBASSY SHOULD APPROACH THE GOF POINTING OUT,
THAT IN VIEW OF RECENT DECISION MADE WITHIN ITO TO ACCEPT
V 29 GUIDELINE, THERE EXISTS NO APPARENT REASON FOR ANY
DELAY IN APPROVAL OF EQUIPMENT BUILT ACCORDING TO INTER-
NATIONAL STANDARDS. IN ITS REPRESENTATION, THE EMBASSY
MAY DRAW ON INFORMATION IN ROSENBAUM'S CABLE (PARA 3,
ABOVE). THE EMBASSY SHOULD USE ITS DISCRETION AS TO
WHETHER OR NOT THE REPRESENTATIONS SHOULD BE WRITTEN OR
ORAL.

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